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DEMAND OF ELECTRICITY IN JHARKHAND
DUKHA BHAGAT

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the extent of demand of electricity in Jharkhand State at present; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to meet the demand of electricity in the State?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) : At present, Bihar State Electricity Board (BSEB) has been entrusted with powesupply both in Bihar and Jharkhand states alongwith DVC in the DVC command area (entirely falling in Jharkhand state). As against a total demand of 1200 MW of theerstwhile combined Bihar state, the power demand of Jharkhand state is estimated at about 400 MW.

(b) : The average availability of power from generating stations in the state sector (geographically located in the Jharkhand state) is about 480 MW. In addition to the above, Jharkhand is also entitled to shares from the central sector generating stations of Farakka, Kahalgaon, Talcher STPS and Rangit HEP with a total installed capacity of 3500 MW and Chukha Hydro Project in Bhutan.Thus it is expected that Jharkhand would have no shortage of power and will be able to meet its total requirement fully.